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As you join Bearcat Nation

Welcome to Bearcat Nation,

You're beginning a journey that places you among more than 70,000 Northwest alumni and friends, and you'll soon discover why the phrase "Once a Bearcat, always a Bearcat" has such deep meaning to all of us.

Fall is an exciting time at Northwest as we welcome new and returning students to our beautiful campus and Maryville community. You and your fellow students are what make Northwest such a vibrant organization, and we are committed to focusing on your success – every day.

I realize that it can be intimidating to start life at a new school, but one of the many great things Northwest offers is a wide range of activities just for students. I encourage you to get involved in any number of our more than 180 student organizations. It's an ideal way to meet new friends, and research shows the more engaged you are, the better your chances are for success.

Of course, you came to college to further your education. Our professors

care immensely about your success. Ask questions. Be engaged. You'll soon find out that our unique hands-on learning experiences, caring faculty and small class sizes mean you will master your course material while finding lifelong mentors in your professors.

By selecting Northwest, you've also become an integral part of a tradition of excellence. From nationally-recognized academic and athletic achievements to award-winning student organizations and volunteer opportunities, Northwest students, faculty and staff never cease to amaze me, and I certainly look forward to seeing all that you and your classmates accomplish during your time at Northwest – and beyond.

I also want you to know that your feedback about life at Northwest is important to me. As you see me around campus, please don't hesitate to say hello and visit with me about how we can enhance your Northwest experience.

At Northwest, we are committed to helping you succeed. Take hold, get



involved and experience the many benefits of being a Bearcat!

With green and white pride,

Dr. John Jasinski, University President

About your president

President John Jasinski began his presidency on July 1, 2009.

He returned to Northwest after serving the institution from 1986-2001 as a faculty member, department chair and associate provost.

He holds a Ph.D. from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and master's and bachelor's degrees from Central Michigan University.

Jasinski is nationally known for his work with the Academic Quality Improvement Program.

He has started and completed 10 marathons.

How to take action

Attend floor meetings, organization meetings and participate in groups.

Take part in your Residential Hall Council. As a link to the administration and an opportunity for leadership, representing your floor speaks volumes.

Join Student Senate or attend meetings regularly.

Fill out Culture of Quality Comment Cards around the University or online at <http://www.nwmissouri.edu/aboutus/comment.htm>.

Speak to a representative about your concerns such as a department chair, Dean of Students Matt Baker, Provost Doug Dunham or University President John Jasinski.

Write an opinion column for the Northwest Missourian.

Take action, speak out

Welcome newest members of the Bearcat family,

My name is Andrew Maddux, and as the 89th Student Senate president, I'm happy you chose Northwest. Starting your first year you'll have access to all the great offerings provided by this institution. One of those opportunities I'd encourage you to consider is Student Senate – the voice of the students.

The senate has lots to offer the students and its senators, with the main benefit being a vote that influences the direction of this University. Champion student causes, help organizations, plan events, save lives through blood drives, meet state senators and representatives and represent your fellow freshmen. Oh and did I mention, it's a lot of fun?

I encourage you to come to our meetings in the fall and check us out. They are located in the J.W. Jones Student Union Boardroom at 7 p.m. on Tuesdays. There are many capacities to lead in senate and the opportunity to work with and meet

a lot of individuals. We are a body with senators and associate senators from all different majors and interest. To find out more information on the Student Senate, find us online under the Campus Life tab on the homepage. Like us on Facebook by typing in Student Senate and you can email us at ssenate@nwmissouri.edu.

As a public relations major and a comprehensive crisis response minor, I've held several roles, starting as a freshman representative to treasurer and running successfully for 2011-12 president. My advice for you is to join and explore organizations. They are a great way to meet friends, have fun and expand your horizons.

Enjoy your time here and realize everything is your decision, so make them wisely for the best outcome. Go further than just the bare minimum. Take pride in yourself and release the potential that is just waiting to be let out. You may have visited the Administration Building on a tour of campus. I'd like to point out the words over its entrance:



"And the truth shall make you free." I challenge you to find your truth.

Sincerely,

Andrew Maddux,
89th Student Senate President

Snap back to reality 'Cats

Welcome young Bearcats,

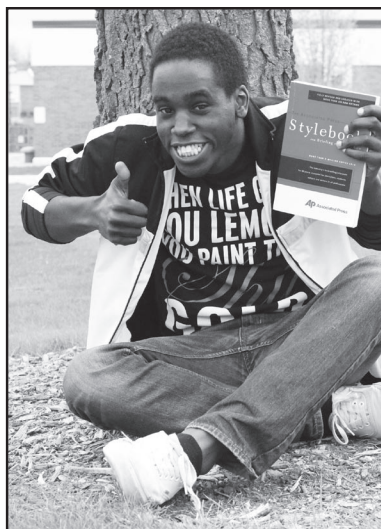
I will be the first to be brutally honest with you and tell you that I am sorry. Not because you are now leaving your glory days of football team captain, prom queen, honor-roll student or academic decathlon champion behind. Not because there are a new set of responsibilities and expectations that loom over your head. And not because the constant pressure to conform seems to be injected with steroids the moment you set foot in your freshman hall – but because with all that has been placed before you, you succeed or fail alone.

That ought to brighten your day and add a little light on your view of college. Don't worry though, this is where I tell you that everything will be OK – because it will. Although, ultimately every decision you make while you are here will have either positive or negative ramifications for the rest of your natural born life, you don't have to be a lone wolf. For

each trial and tribulation set before you, there is someone on this campus who is willing to pick up a battle-axe and fight at your side.

That's the great thing about Northwest, you're not just setting foot on a college campus where the students go to class and the officials see green – Northwest green – but instead, you are joining an approximately 7,000 member family and growing. So the best thing to do on the days when you're not grumbling about an 8 a.m. class, your useless roommate or that guy or girl on the fifth floor who won't give you the time of day is to get out and see campus. Get involved and take a stroll outside of your comfort zone. Trust me, wherever you are from, the grass is greener on the northwest side of Missouri.

Those are my words of wisdom to you. What you choose to do with them, well, that's all on you. Like I said, your decisions here will likely stay with you forever. Welcome to the real world, kids. I hope you're



looking forward to a splendid year.

Oh, before I forget, one last thing. It snows a lot here, but don't ever eat the yellow snow.

Cordially,

Trey Williams, '11-'12 Editor-in-Chief

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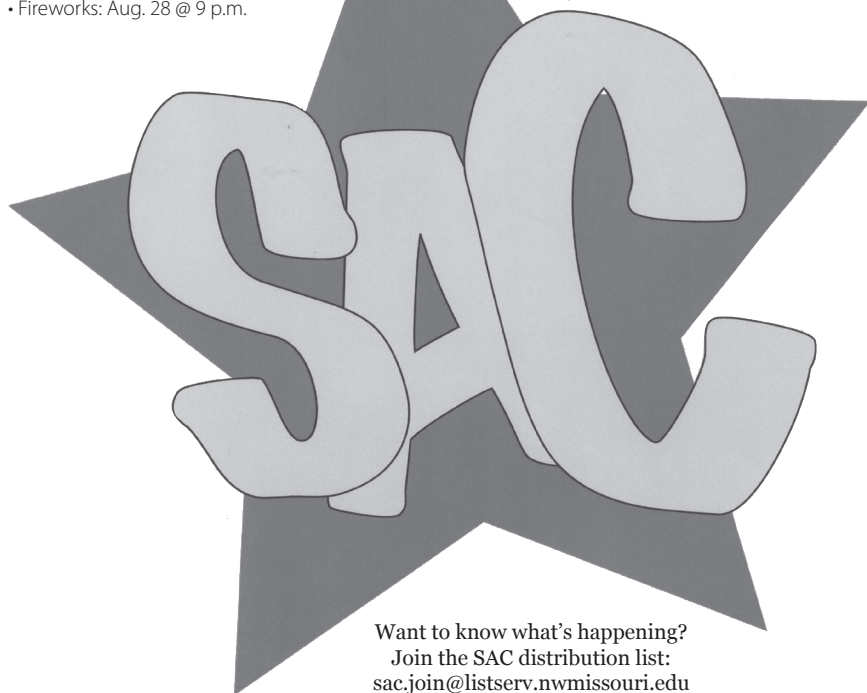
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words from the wise

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Get involved and leave your door open. Pretty much just get to know people, it'll help.
-Laurel Holmquist

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Don't just think you can use all the money on your Bearcat Card at once. It seems like a lot of money at first but it goes quickly. -Alyssa McHenry

2

It's OK to be different from your roommate. Just find the things you have in common and let them be unique.
-Jessica Lundquist

7

It's alright if you and your roommate don't get along, you don't have to be best friends. -Claire Harms

3

If you get in a fight with your roommate, talk it out then not later.
-Jessica Stungis

8

Don't procrastinate. Make sure you're studying well enough in advance.
-Dylan Gilmore

4

Make sure when scheduling classes you put at least an hour between classes for down time.
-Breanna Ormsby

9

Take it all in because it goes by quick.
-Ashlyn Woolson

5

Don't procrastinate.
-Megan Nielson

10

The best time to go out and not stress about school is the beginning because you won't be as busy. -Lauren Fouts

11

Come up with a really good study plan for every class because college is nothing like high school and you have to study for every class.
-Nikita Tietzort

12

Don't let people change you, be yourself but don't be afraid to try new things.
-Taylor Vogelsmeier

13

Don't room with your best friend because it can ruin your friendship. I don't know a friendship that hasn't been ruined because of that. -Emily Stortenbecker

14

Don't procrastinate because then you're stuck doing everything last minute like me.
-Emily Mynatt

15

Get to know everyone you can – on your floor, staff, professors – because it's a great way to network. -Ashleigh Easton

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Don't get behind in class because you'll pay for it. And don't party too much.
-Willie Howe

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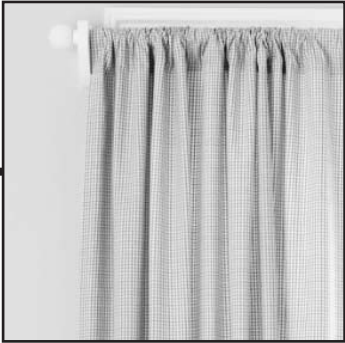
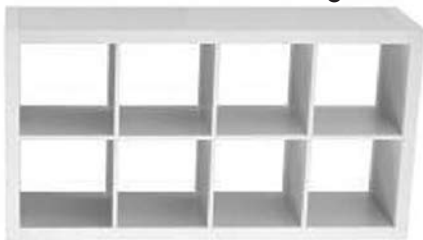
Try not to lock yourself out of your room when you're taking a shower. Try to be friends with the girls on your floor, or else you'll be pretty lonely. -Elizabeth Christie

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Don't get used to the freedom, respect it, you still need time to study for classes. -Antoinette Vigliaturo

WHAT TO BRING

Bookshelf for storage



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Laundry baskets and detergent



DORM LIVING

Amanda Schulte-Smith
Feature Editor

It can be one of the scariest moments of your life, and the best at the same time. Living in a dorm your freshman year is a student's true first experience being on their own. As you countdown the days until the big move, remember these tips from your fellow classmates.

Resident assistant Kristen Kientz always encourages freshmen to take part in programs offered by the staff. Resident aids are there to help students adjust to their new living situations and taking advantage of the activities varying from information sessions to hanging out as a group is an easy way to build friendships with the people on your floor.

"I always encourage the freshmen on my floor to get active and participate in all the different events we put on. It is a great way to meet people and feel comfortable about their surroundings," Kientz said.

There are plenty of games, activities,

Bible studies and chances to get free food in your dorm each month. The members of Resident Life are there for you, ready and willing to give advice, tips and tricks for college life.

"I like when students ask questions about campus, that's my job to help them so I am always willing to answer any school or social questions they might have," Kientz said.

Some tips many residents give to freshmen is to make a check list of things you will need when you move. Blankets, toiletries and a toothbrush are commonly forgotten when making the big move to campus. By making a list, you can avoid forgetting something your first week of school and running to the store to get it.

Do not be afraid to ask questions. Always remember that there are student ready and willing to help you when you move on campus. Living on your own can be a big adjustment so use your resources, make a checklist and give your parents a big hug because ready or not, you are now a college student.



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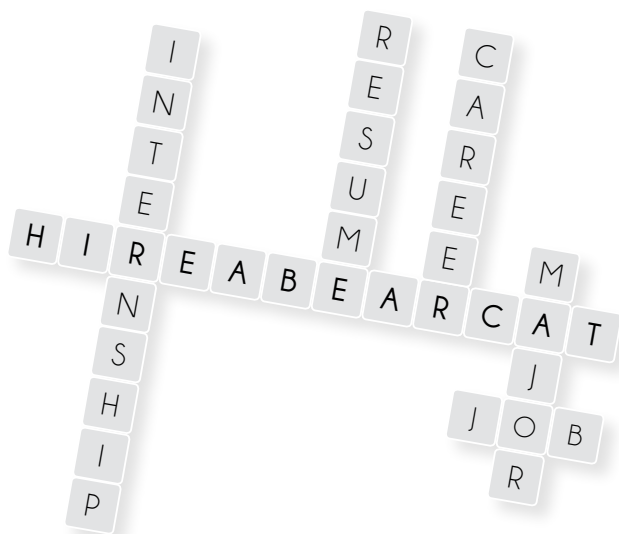


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hitting the books to pass your classes

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1

Prepare for each class as though there would be a pop quiz. You will be able to participate in class and you will be prepared if there actually is a pop quiz.

6

Ask questions. Chances are there are other students in class that also did not understand.

2

Be on time for each class. Sit down and get relaxed before class begins. Professors like students who are always present and never late.

7

Use separate notebooks for each class. Or use subject dividers to separate your notes. Doing so will make exam preparation easier.

3

If you have trouble actually getting up early and going to class, consider taking an online class.

8

Try to make a friend in each class. If you have to miss a class, you can call your classmate and get the lowdown on what you may have missed.

4

Do not write down everything. Write in outline form so your notes will be easy to skim and review. Be sure to take clear, concise notes for every class.

9

Find a good place to study. Dorm rooms are often littered with distractions — television, video games, loud music.

5

Be attentive and stay focused. Avoid distractions such as instant messaging or crossword puzzles.

10

Establish a routine study time. Getting into a rhythm at the beginning of every term will help you stay focused.

11

Take breaks while studying. Break up your studying routine into 50-minute sessions, followed by 5 or 10 minute breaks.

12

Stay on top of your reading. Almost every college class will require reading - a lot of reading. Do not fall behind or it will cost you.

13

Use a pencil. Write in the margins any notes you may want to make while you are reading. Then while studying for the final exam, you can go over these margin notes.

14

Find a study partner or two. Study partners can help you stay focused and can point out some things that you may have overlooked.

15

Get notes for any classes you may have missed. Never assume that you know what was covered in classes that did not attend.

16

Start early on long term papers. Especially when a lot of research is involved, beginning the planning and outlining stages of a term paper early will benefit you greatly.

17

Prepare an outline before you start writing. Outlining the entire paper before you begin will help you develop and convey your ideas better.

18

Use the Writing Center. Turn in your first drafts here and they will point out your writing flaws so you can improve.

Students find their niche; get involved on campus



DARRELL LONG | VISUAL JOURNALIST

SENIOR RYAN GOBET shares his testimony with Campus Crusade for Christ. At 9 p.m. every Thursday, Campus Crusade (CRU) comes together for fellowship, worship and reflection on Christ in the bottom floor of J.W. Jones Student Union.

Amanda Schulte-Smith
Feature Editor

The beginning of the school year means a new year with a fresh start. Looking to try something new? Northwest has you covered with hundreds of clubs, organizations and Greek associations to get involved in during your stay.

If you are looking for a more academic-based club that addresses your interest in learning new things. There are clubs like Phi Beta Lambda that compete statewide in competitions. This last year, three members of the club placed at the Missouri Phi Beta Lambda National Leadership Conference in Orlando.

If academics is not your thing, a great way to meet people and get involved is looking into Greek Life. Joining a fraternity or sorority gives students the chance to associate with a group of men and women who work together toward various philanthropies, while building life-long friendships.

Government and political organizations are also available at Northwest to new students looking to learn more about the government or wanting to know about internships and opportunities like visiting the state capitol. Students can join the Criminal Justice Club to hear from speakers and promote the professional development of students entering into the field of criminal justice. Also, the Mock Trial team can be a fun club to get into. Students can compete in regional and national competitions sponsored by the

American Mock Trial Association. Last year, the Northwest Mock Trial team completed their most successful season yet, having to expand its squad into two competition teams for the first time.

There are tons of multi-cultural clubs that give students the chance to interact with people of various cultural backgrounds. These clubs give students the ability to learn about another culture and potentially visit that country. The International Student Organization welcomes students to join who want to help promote better relationships among students of different cultural and ethnic backgrounds.

Northwest's religious clubs have grown tremendously over the past couple of years, encouraging students who want to grow spiritually to get involved and meet people of similar backgrounds to share your story with them. Campus religious organizations include Campus Crusade for Christ, The Baptist Student Union, Newman Catholic Center and many more.

There are tons of different clubs and organizations to join, so look for booths set up at the beginning of each semester for more information about a hobby you might have or log onto the Northwest website at www.nwmissouri.edu.

Getting involved in a student organization gives you an opportunity to socialize, work with others as a team, and even network with faculty and advisers. Depending on your interests, there is an organization at Northwest for you.

Student Organizations

There is a club, organization offered at Northwest for any group, major, interest or passion. Get involved with people who share common interests.

Greek Life

If you are interested in getting to know people fast, join Greek Life. Joining a fraternity or sorority will provide you with an opportunity to work with others like you.

Religious Organizations

Many religious organizations meet throughout the week to offer students with uplifting messages about God and faith. Get involved, share your story and let your faith take flight.

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Looking for a job can require work

By Amanda Schulte-Smith
Feature Editor

You have your classes picked, your room decorated and your school supplies ready, what next? Finding a job. Many students look for side jobs to grab some extra cash to pay for various things not involved with their meal plan. If you are one of those students looking to make some extra cash, there are a few things you will want to keep in mind when starting your job hunt.

Jobs can also be beneficial for new students looking to get familiar with the city of Maryville. By getting a job at a church or community center in town, you can familiarize yourself with the city and get to know members of the community.

First, start early. If you think about it, there are plenty of students thinking the same thing as you and will be looking for some of the same positions you will apply for. If you start early, you

have the upper hand at picking your ideal hours and getting accepted for those jobs. One great place you can find job postings or help with interviews is the Student Employment Office. They are there for your benefit so why not go pay them a quick visit? By visiting the Student Employment Office, you can find jobs on campus or off campus and some great tips as to how to get that particular job. They can also ease the burden of job hunting, which can get very time consuming.

If you do not see yourself working on campus, local businesses like Wal-Mart, McDonalds, Taco Bell and Sonic are always looking for part-time students to fill in while school is in session. Applying early and going in with a smart attitude can be your best bet when applying for jobs.

The biggest piece of advice students need to remember is always put your schoolwork first. Make sure when you apply, you

leave time for your classes and study hours so you do not fall behind. Taking on too much with a job and homework can be detrimental to a student's academic career. No one knows you better than yourself and if you think working two jobs (because going to school is a job itself) will be too much for you, get adjusted to classes before you apply.

Another thing to remember if you plan on getting a job is bringing everything you will need for it with you when you move to campus. Remember your Social Security card, I.D., birth certificate, insurance card and any other documents you feel would be necessary when applying for a job.

Always remember that your schoolwork is your top priority. Talk with your parents and friends to make sure you can handle the complex schedule. Remember, never compromise your class schedule with your work schedule.

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By Brittany Keithley
Editor-in-Chief

The Wellness Center provides countless services to a student from regular check-ups to counseling. The per-credit hour wellness fee that students pay covers routine office visits which includes consultation, diagnosis and treatment recommendations. It will not cover procedures, lab work or medication, but you can charge those to your student account or insurance.

The transition to college can be hard for some and balancing new responsibilities tends to get overwhelming. Students need to have a reasonable schedule for sleeping, eating, exercising, studying and socializing. If any one of those gets out of balance then the tendency will be for them to get sick.

The Personal Development and Counseling Services at the Wellness Center can help with these adjustments to college life and lend advice from crisis management to consultations.

The Wellness Center holds a partnership with their patients with the understanding of mutual trust and confidence to help ensure the correct diagnosis is reached and the student's needs are fulfilled.

They work with the students to help achieve a balance in mind, body and spirit by promoting education, self responsibility and prevention.

The Wellness Center is located at the northwest corner of campus behind Millikan Hall.

Appointments are preferred, but walk-ins are welcome. For more information contact them at (660) 562-1348.



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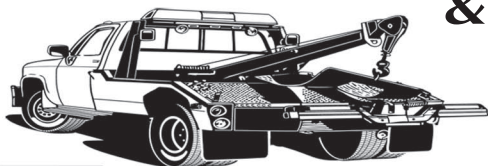


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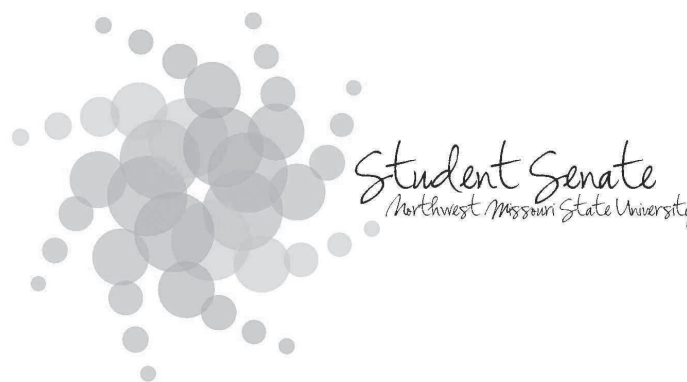
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Their support staff provides in-person notebook support free of charge to students, faculty and staff who have been issued or are renting a Univeristy-owned notebook computer or tablet. Students will pick up their University-issued laptops the first week for school at the support center. Open from Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.

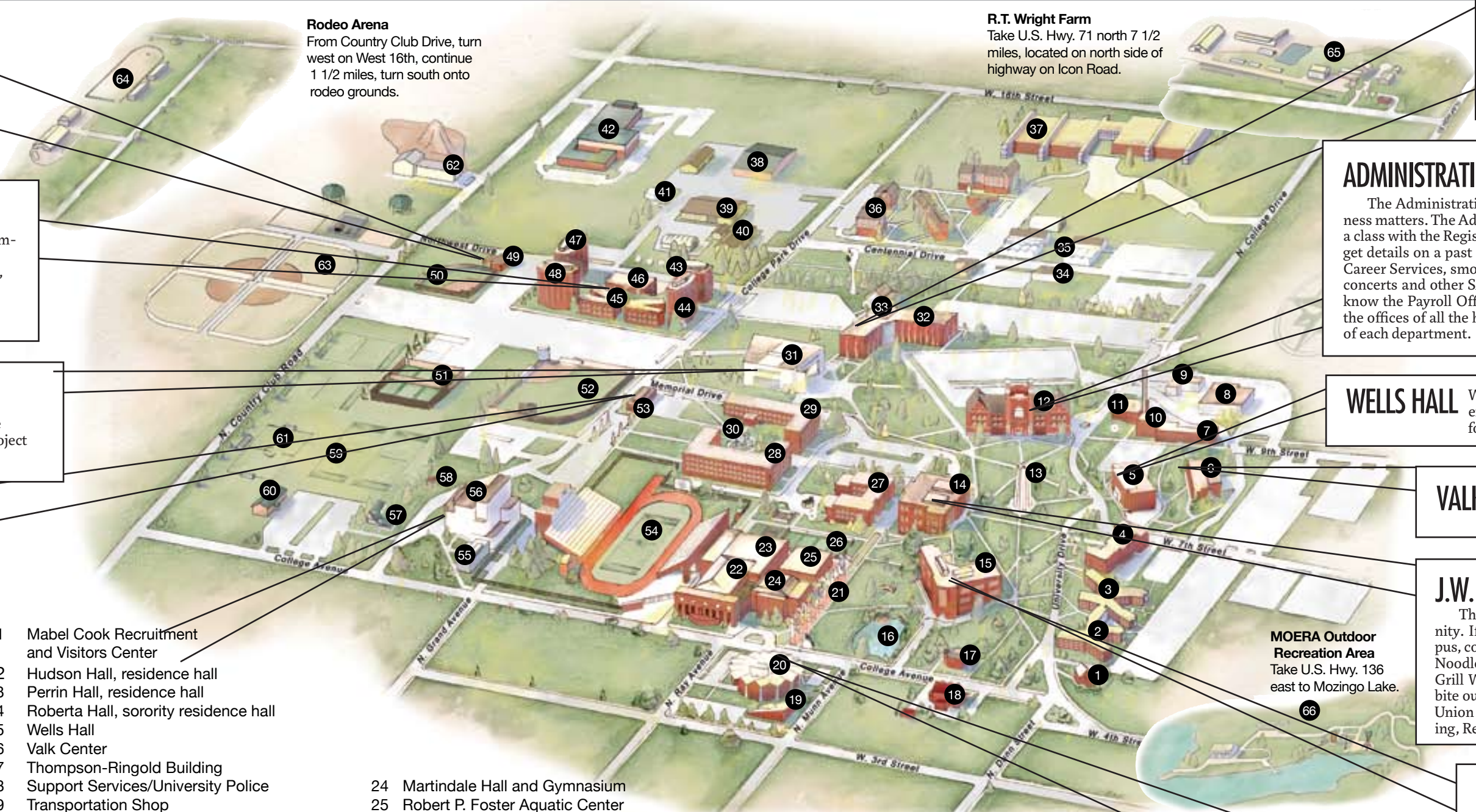
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The Ron Houston Center features performances throughout the semester from the Encore series to Distinguished Lectures to concerts and ceremonies. The goal of the Encore series is to provide an unparalleled experience where the very best performing artists create and share knowledge through the arts. The Distinguished Lectures include scholars, world travelers and leaders in their field who hope to share their wisdom, insight and experiences to students.

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GARRETT-STRONG SCIENCE BUILDING

Garrett-Strong is the home of the chemistry, physics and biological sciences departments. If you plan to take classes such as geology, biology or even a math course, you will want to know where this building is on campus.

ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

The Administration Building is the central hub for taking care of all your business matters. The Administration Building is where you'll need to go to add or drop a class with the Registrar's Office, head to the Bursar's Office to make a payment or get details on a past due account, gain advice and guidance on a career path from Career Services, smoothen out your financial aid or buy tickets for athletic events, concerts and other SAC events. If you work on campus it might also be helpful to know the Payroll Office is located here. The Administration Building also houses the offices of all the higher ups, including the president, the provost and the deans of each department.

WELLS HALL

Wells Hall houses the departments of mass communication, foreign languages and communication. Wells also provides a home for all of student publications, KNWT, KXCV and KNRW.

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J.W. JONES STUDENT UNION

The J.W. Jones Student Union is the heart of the campus community. If you're looking for a nice meal but don't want to leave campus, come here and enjoy one of the many dining options – J.W. Grill, Noodles, Quiznos, Zoca, Salad Garden, Wok, Cranberry Farms or Grill Works. If that doesn't tickle your fancy go upstairs and take a bite out of Papa John's, Java City or grab a smoothie at Freshens. The Union is also home to the Office of Campus Activities, Campus Dining, Residential Life and Intercultural Affairs.

COLDEN HALL

Colden Hall is the home to the English, psychology and computer science/information systems departments. You will visit their classrooms for your general education requirements of computers, psychology and composition.

OLIVE DELUCE FINE ARTS BUILDING, CHARLES JOHNSON THEATER

Olive DeLuce Fine Arts Building features art, theater and music departments where students with majors varying from graphic design, sculpting and music education will find their classes. The Charles Johnson Theater is located within the fine arts building and hosts various lectures and performances as well.

- 1 Mabel Cook Recruitment and Visitors Center
- 2 Hudson Hall, residence hall
- 3 Perrin Hall, residence hall
- 4 Roberta Hall, sorority residence hall
- 5 Wells Hall
- 6 Valk Center
- 7 Thompson-Ringold Building
- 8 Support Services/University Police
- 9 Transportation Shop
- 10 Power Plant
- 11 Chiller Plant
- 12 Administration Building
- 13 Memorial Bell Tower
- 14 J.W. Jones Student Union
- 15 Colden Hall
- 16 Colden Pond
- 17 Thomas Gaunt House, president's residence
- 18 Alumni House
- 19 Fire Arts Building
- 20 Olive DeLuce Fine Arts Building, Charles Johnson Theater
- 21 Joyce & Harvey White International Plaza
- 22 Lamkin Activity Center, Bearcat Arena
- 23 Student Recreation Center

- 24 Martindale Hall and Gymnasium
- 25 Robert P. Foster Aquatic Center
- 26 Frank Grube Tennis Courts
- 27 Everett W. Brown Education Hall
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- 29 North Complex (Missouri Academy of Science, Mathematics and Computing)
- 30 Centennial Garden
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Bearcat Card will fulfill almost any student's dreams

By Ben Lawson
Chief Reporter

A Northwest student's Bearcat Card is essential to life on campus. It is a student's portal to all the snacks a person needs at The Station and tickets to football games, concerts and much more.

Food- All the food a student needs can be purchased with their Bearcat Card. Students can buy meals with their Bearcat Card from places like Quiznos and Papa John's in the J.W. Jones Student Union and food for their dorm room from The Station. Students can also use their card at any vending machine on campus. Any purchases made for food on a Bearcat Card comes straight from the student's Aladine

account.

Banking- Students who have an account with US Bank at any location can set up their Bearcat Card so it can be used as an ATM and Debit Card. Once activated, the card can be used at any business or US Bank ATM, including the ATM located in the Union.

Tickets- Students use their Bearcat Card to purchase tickets for campus events. Tickets for guest speakers, sporting events, concerts and other campus activities can all be purchased on their card and charged to their student account.

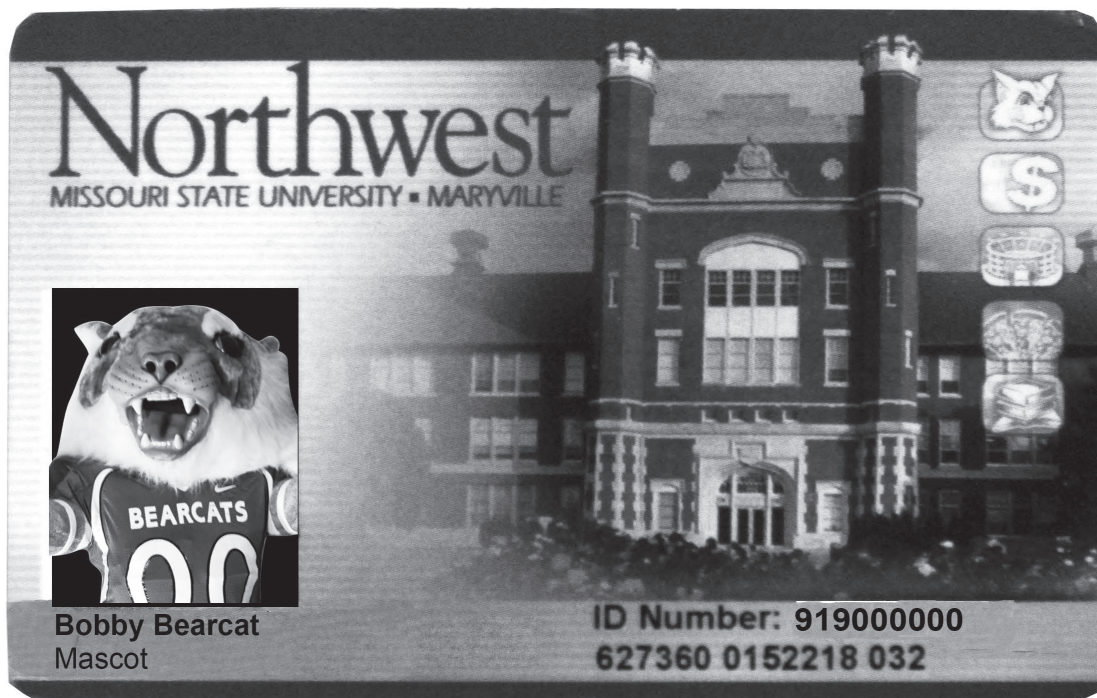
Bookstore- If students ever need a book for a class or feel as if their wardrobe is lacking school spirit, they can stop by the Bearcat Bookstore located in the Union and

make any purchases necessary using their Bearcat Card.

Library- Students must have their Bearcat Card to check out items from B.D. Owens Library.

Items like books for a research project, a projector for a presentation and movies for education or entertainment can all be found at the library.

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One does not simply park

By Philip Gruenwald
Associate Editor

If you want to see a NASCAR race but wish to avoid the mullets and beer hats, consider staking out your lawn chair near a University parking lot about 10 minutes before class instead. Students bemoan the lack of good parking, but Clarence Green, chief of University Police, thinks otherwise. He believes that Northwest does not have a parking problem at all.

"We have a sufficient number of parking spots because we know that on any given day there's 400 spots that are empty," Green said. "Everybody wants to park close and we don't have a lot of close parking, so that's the biggest issue."

The number of parking tickets issued this year was lower than that of last year, according to Monica McCullough, Parking and Records manager. In 2009, University Police issued 1,408 tickets for parking in a reserved area. This includes faculty parking spots, handicapped spots or a commuter parking in a resident spot. By 2010, that number had decreased to 976.

Similarly, tickets resulting

in failure to register or display a permit have also dropped from 2,017 to 1,794 in the same amount of time. This is no coincidence; that time frame also saw ticket fines increase from \$20 to \$30.

"I believe the increase in the fine results in the decrease in tickets written because it's more impactful," McCullough said.

She believes students would rather pay for a parking permit or walk, more so than last year when it would take five tickets to surpass the price of a parking permit.

Northwest also added parking spots in that same time. By straightening the lines on lot 42, just north of the baseball fields, hardscape supervisor Chris Redden retained 90 parking spaces.

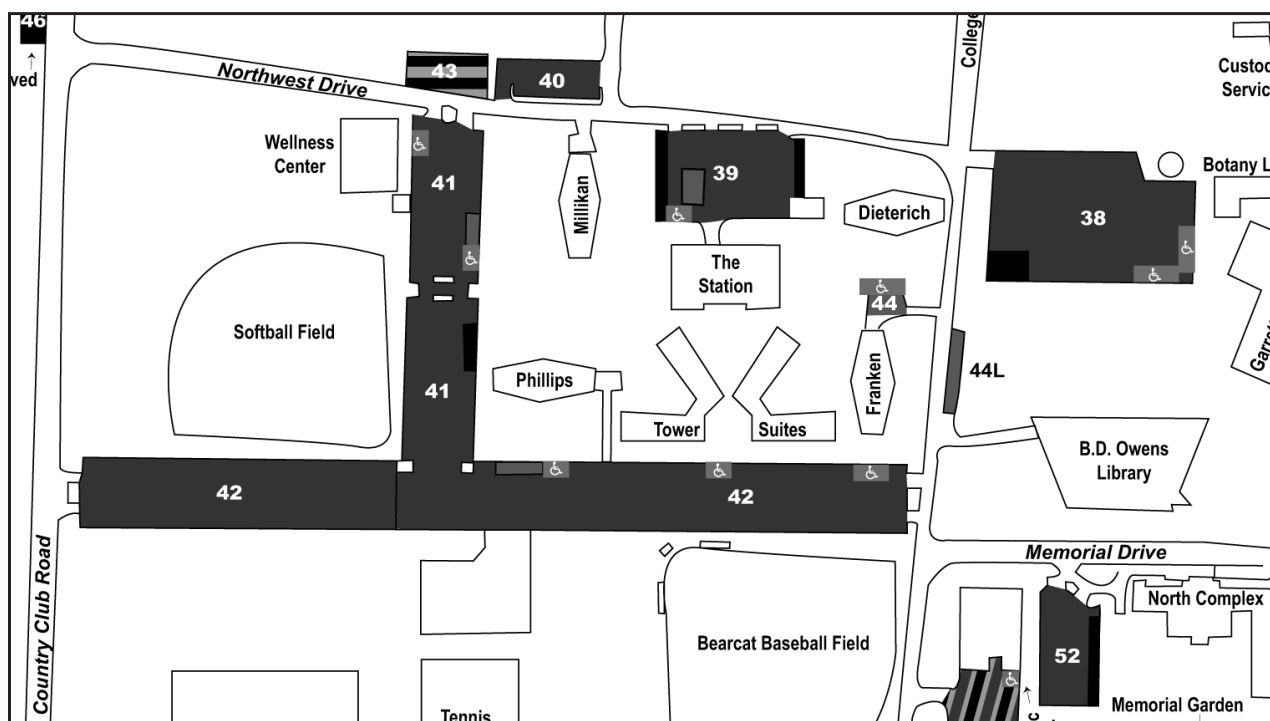
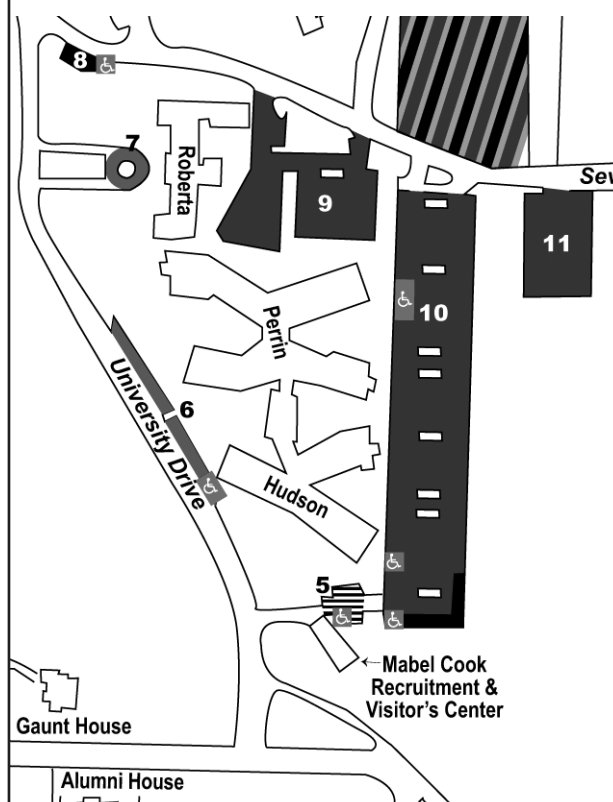
"For every 10 cars that are angle parked, you gain an extra spot if it's straightened," Redden said.

Redden also wants to focus on designated areas for motorcycle and scooter parking, which is a growing trend for Northwest students.

The new designated areas will be easily identified by their unique coloring not used anywhere else at Northwest.

Parking 101

The solid shaded areas are designated lots for freshmen to park on campus. A resident parking permit is required in these lots.



Safe Ride to offer students more services on, off campus

By Philip Gruenwald
Associate Editor

For some, University Police's Safe Ride program is a way to get a free ride home after a night of a few too many drinks. For others, it is their ticket to grocery shopping on a Sunday afternoon.

For Clarence Green, chief of University Police, it is his way of keeping students safe.

"We used to give out about a hundred (DWIs) each year," Green said. "Now we're averaging less than 30."

Fewer drunk drivers means fewer alcohol-related accidents, making the 75 cents per credit hour fee an investment for all students. About 6,000 students use Safe Ride each year, according to Green.

Safe Ride will now be funded by student fees after an approval vote by Student Senate and the Board of Regents. The fee covers salaries for personnel, like dispatchers and drivers. It also extends Safe Ride's hours, shifting the focus from late night taxi to shuttle service.

Consequently, it will need a new name. Green said he has received positive input from Student Senate, but would like feedback from other students before a name is given.

"We've heard a lot of people want to call it Bearcat Shuttle," Green said.

Regardless of the name bequeathed to it, Safe Ride will continue chugging along during late nights, available for free to all Northwest students. Call (660) 562-1245 during operating hours if you need a ride.

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New coach, young team look to break streak, win opener

By Jason Lawrence
Asst. Sports Editor

The streak of national title game appearances may be over, but the Bearcat football team still carries a 46-game winning streak over MIAA opponents.

As soon as the season kicks off Sept. 1, the 'Cats will try to keep that streak alive against Truman State in Kirksville, win the Ol' Hickory Stick and break a four-year streak of losing the season opener.

"We want to win the first game, that's a start," head coach Scott Bostwick said. "We certainly would like to keep our streak going, we're 46 and counting. It would start with the very first game."

"Starting with a conference game at Truman for the Hickory Stick, that's pretty cool."

This past season, Northwest went 12-2 and won the MIAA title before falling to eventual national champion Minnesota-Duluth, 17-13, in the national semifinals.

Longtime coach Mel Tjeerdsma also retired after 17 seasons patrolling the sidelines for the green and white.

Also gone from last year are 18 seniors who contributed to 36 of the 46 straight conference wins.

A pair of senior All-Americans will lead the 2011 Bearcats, wide receiver Jake Soy and linebacker Chad Kilgore.

Younger guys will have to step up and fill voids, much like the 2009 team that defied odds and won the national title.

"We've replaced guys around here before," Bostwick said. "This year is

very similar to where it was three years ago when Willie Horn and Adam Vondrak and all those guys figured out a way and made it to the national championship game.

"Some young guys are going to have to step up, that's how you replace (graduates)."

The youth movement is going on throughout the conference, not just at Northwest. Washburn, Central Missouri and Missouri Western all graduated their starting quarterbacks.

"It's sort of a wide open year," Bostwick said. "I don't know if there is a predominantly, clear-cut, 'Boy, these guys are going to be really good.' I think everybody's had to replace some guys."

Bostwick expects the Central Missouri game and the annual Fall Classic against Pittsburg State to be two of the biggest games of the year.

"The only negative thing about (the schedule) is we have to go to Central three years in a row," Bostwick said. "I don't know if many people know this, but that Central game will be rather interesting...My brother just got hired as their linebackers coach, so I got a dirty Mule that's a brother. That'll be a rather interesting game when we roll into Warrensburg and I hope there's a lot on the line."

But Bostwick is focused on getting that win in week one and building from there.

"It all goes back to that first game," Bostwick said. "We've got to win that first game. That is our No. 1, ultimate goal. We take care of that one, then we move on to the next set of goals."

Home Games

Sept. 10
Sioux Falls
6 p.m.

Sept. 24
Fort Hays State
(Family Week-
end)
1 p.m.

Oct. 15
Eastern New
Mexico
1 p.m.

Oct. 22
Washburn
(Homecoming)
2 p.m.

Nov. 12
Emporia State
1 p.m.



(TOP) SOPHOMORE RUNNING BACK Jordan Simmons hurdles a Kingsville defender on his way upfield Thursday, Sept. 2. The 'Cats gained 194 yards of offense in their 16-7 loss. (LEFT) HEAD COACH SCOTT Bostwick addresses his team after the Spring game on Sat. April 9. The 'Cats will kick off the season with an away game against Truman Sept. 1.

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What you've missed in sports

By Tony Botts
Sports Editor

This past year's worth of sports in Maryville wasn't wrapped in national championship banners.

Instead, it was filled with last second, game-winning field goals, legendary retirements and fresh faces.

The biggest story line of the year, hands down, may also have been the hardest to embrace.

After 17 years at the helm of arguably one of the best Division II football programs in the nation, head coach Mel Tjeerdsma announced his tearful retirement.

Surrounded by his family, coaching staff, current and former players and a room filled with the Maryville community, Coach T turned over the program and its tradition to the man who weathered all 17 seasons at the Hall of Fame coach's side.

New head coach Scott Bostwick has already left his mark on the program. As Bostwick takes his place

as the new face of the 'Cats, he will unveil the new look of the Bearcat football program this fall.

Unfortunately, the Bearcats didn't defend last year's football championship, but instead left fans sitting on the edges of their seats week in and week out. Rather fitting, the Cardiac 'Cats were born.

From the first Missouri Western game, when Northwest sent Jerry Partridge and Gang back to St. Joseph with their tails between their legs, to the Washburn game, where an unlikely hero, linebacker Bill Baudler, saved the day on a crucial two-point conversion, the season was filled with suspense.

But let us not forget the heroics that rode on sophomore kicker Todd Adolf's leg at Central Missouri. Not only did he crush the 48-yard field goal, but he also preserved the 'Cats' fourth straight MIAA Championship.

While there was no return trip to Florence this year, Northwest saw its first player to make the Harlon

Hill finalist list in senior quarterback Blake Bolles.

But, don't let football steal the show. New head volleyball coach Jessica Rinehart and a resilient senior class helped lead Northwest to its first appearance in the NCAA tournament since 1981.

Prior to making the tournament, Rinehart and the Lady 'Cats knocked off No. 2 Washburn in stunning fashion in front of a pinked-out home crowd in support of breast cancer.

Sticking with the women, head basketball coach Gene Steinmeyer took a practically unknown bunch to a level of basketball the University had never seen.

With the likes of seniors Gabby Curtis, Gentry Dietz and newcomer Kyla Roehrig, Northwest was carried above elite-status, into the Final Four for the first time in program history.

Countless records were shattered along the way, bringing national attention to Maryville for the other sport that uses field goals.



SENIOR GUARD ABBY Henry will return next season leading a squad returning only two starters.

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So you have unpacked, freshman orientation is done for the day, but what do you do next?

What to do in Maryville

By Philip Gruenwald
Associate Editor

Maryville has history, culture and plenty of activities for the restless youth, but you might not know it from just driving up and down Main Street. Here are our Top 10 things to do - when you are done dutifully studying for your tests, of course.

Kicking off the list are Maryville's parks. We have 12 of them dotting the town, ranging from humble park benches to Mazingo Lake with its cabins, beaches, playground, fishing and pavilions.

Get to know the parks. Some are strictly natural conservation areas with ponds, trees and fields, while others have playground equipment and athletic facilities. Each one has its unique offerings for the outdoorsy student.

Enjoy a relaxing retreat through nature. Take some friends for a fall walk, crunching on apples along the way. Or, pick up a football or soccer ball and engage in some competitive fun. Some of the parks have basketball hoops.

Plus, the fresh air is a welcomed relief from your roommate's smelly socks.



{10 City Parks}



{9 Workman's Chapel}

What better way to enjoy Halloween than heading out to Workman's Chapel? Workman's Chapel is Maryville's premiere spot for paranormal activity. Head into the creepy decrepit old chapel or wander through the cemetery for a good fright. If you are brave enough, pull under the old tree next to the Chapel and listen carefully; you can hear scuffling of feet on the roof of your car. Workman's Chapel is best during Halloween, but a spooky Friday night works too.



{8 Volunteering}

Maryville loves Northwest students, so give back when you can. You can donate food to The Ministry Center on 971 S. Main, or help a furry friend by walking dogs at the no-kill New Nodaway Human Societ Animal Shelter on 829 S. Depot. Or you can give blood at First United Methodist or on campus.

{7 Wal-mart/Hyvee}

Nothing beats a Wal-mart or Hyvee run at two in the morning for some snacks and soda. Naturally you should stick around and peruse the other merchandise the stores have to offer, and after that freeze tag is a must. For cheap sweets, check out Wal-Mart's "Day Old Donuts" racks in the back.

Walmart
HyVee



{6 Bearcat Lanes}

If you have a spare evening, hit the lanes for some bowling action. Cosmic bowling is a sure bet, if you do not pin your evening's fun to a high score. Who knows? You could strike up a conversation with another bowler.

{5 The Hangar}

As the premiere theater in Maryville, "The Hangar" provides a fun atmosphere to catch the latest blockbuster. Grab dinner before or after your flick at the "Fuel Dock" and "Bomb Shelter" or make a reservation at "The Observation Deck" to have the best of both worlds with dinner and a movie. Plus, the Student Activities Council regularly hosts free movie events here.



{4 Bearcat Sports}

Maryville has earned the nickname of Title Town for Maryville High School sports and Bearcat athletics. Saturday home football games with 6,500 screaming fans are a must. But basketball, volleyball, cheerleading and club sports draw big crowds



throughout the rest of the year. Grab a close seat, wear green and cheer on those 'Cats.

{3&2 S.A.C. Events}

Our very own Student Activities Council has brought some big names to Northwest: The Goo Goo Dolls, The Ying Yang Twins, Saving Abel, Bo Burnham and more - and that is just in the last two years. From concerts to late night Bingo or Casino Nights to free movie nights at The Hangar, S.A.C stole two spots on our countdown for their variety of events throughout each trimester.



{1 Night Life}

Bars can be the place to see local live talent or meet with friends, but Maryville is so much more than a bar town.

Get creative. Some of your best nights at college can be had on your buddy's couch, with or without alcohol. Night life tops our list of things to do, not because of the wild nights, but because of the quality times with unforgettable people during your time at college.



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NORTHWEST TRADITIONS



Bobby Bearcat

By Ben Lawson
Chief Reporter

While students come and go each year, Northwest's traditions proudly remain. Fans stealing a goal post after a football game, a bridge that helps blossoming romances and a grave marker for a dog are among Northwest's many unique traditions that shape students' experiences at the University.

Bobby Bearcat:

Bobby Bearcat has been the mascot for proud Northwest students since 1916 when a Drury University basketball coach asked the Northwest coach if he had his "fighting bearcats" ready for the game. The name stuck after Northwest students discovered the bearcat is known for being hard to capture and even harder to hold.

The Dennison Manufacturing Company in Massachusetts constructed the first design of Bobby Bearcat in 1916. The current version of Bobby was drawn by the Northwest Art Department.

Every time a touchdown is scored at a Northwest football game, fans can witness Bobby doing a push-up for every point scored. The most push-ups Bobby has done during a game is 677 when Northwest defeated Southwest Baptist in 2007.

Mike the Dog:

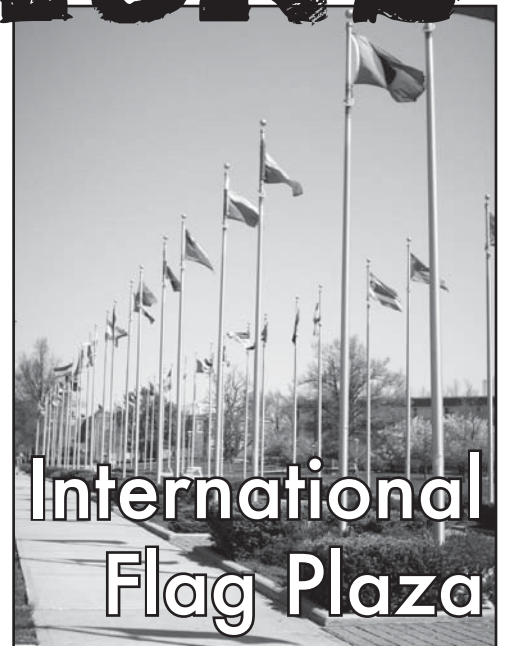
The Bearcat has always been Northwest's official mascot, but students still hold respect for Mike the Dog. In 1916 and 1917 a white tramp dog could be seen roaming around campus wearing a green blanket with the letter "M" on it. Students raised money for a memorial for Mike after he died from drinking arsenic of lead, mistaking it for water. The memorial was placed east of the Administration Building.

Walkout Day:

Walkout Day takes place on the Friday prior to Northwest's Home-

coming. In the past, students went to their first class of the day as usual to wait for the ringing of the Bell of '48, which would mean the end of their school day. School-wide picnics and celebrations were held in downtown Maryville.

Today Northwest recognizes the event as a campus tradition and does not schedule classes. Most recently, Northwest held flag raisings at International Flag Plaza. International students are selected to raise their country's flag for the ceremony.



International Flag Plaza

Mike the Dog



Hickory Stick:

Northwest has competed against Truman State University for the possession of a 30-inch stick since 1931. Originally, the stick was found by Northwest President U.W. Lamkin on the farm where Truman President Eugene Fair was born. The stick has all the scores of the Football games between Truman and Northwest from 1908 to 1930.

The ownership of the stick is decided by an annual football game between Truman and Northwest. The winner of the game dips one end of the stick in paint of the school's color.

The Kissing Bridge:

The Kissing Bridge is located over a small creek that runs to Colden Pond located southwest of Colden Hall. Legend says a female student is not officially a co-ed until she is kissed on the bridge before the first snowfall of the year. Another legend states that if you cross the Kissing Bridge you will make another trip to campus.

Tearing down the field goal:

It is tradition for Northwest football fans to tear down the goal post from Bearcat Stadium and throw it in to Colden Pond following a semifinal win.



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night where you can hear live Bouzouki music, a Greek stringed instrument.

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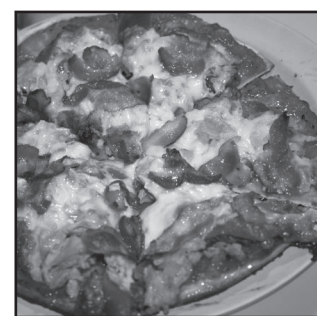


2 Carson's 310 N. Main St. 582-2699

Carson's provides great food for a good price. Televisions are scattered across the restaurant, including a big screen projector. Go Tuesday for wing night and try out their peanut butter burger.

3 Bubba's 2119 S. Main St. 582-3202

Owned by Northwest faculty member Brett Ware, Bubba's features award-winning barbecue and a family-style ambiance. Keep an eye on the paper towel rolls on the tables - with three types of home-made barbecue sauce, you will need all the help you can get.



4 Pagliai's 611 S. Main St. 582-5750

You can tell good pizza in a college town by the crowd, and Pagliai's sure draws a crowd. Order the dinner buffet for \$8 that includes pizza, salad, wings, pasta and much more. Thankfully, eating the food is easier than pronouncing the name.

5 Simply Siam 2119 S. Main St. 582-3202

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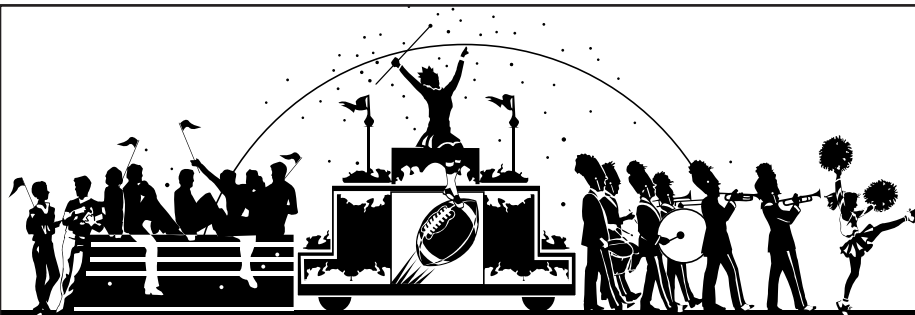
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October 21: Walk Out Day

October 22: Parade @ 9 a.m.

October 22: Football Game vs Washburn @ 2 p.m.

READ THE NORTHWEST MISSOURIAN

The Northwest Missourian is your newspaper. We cover everything you need to know on the Northwest campus and in the city of Maryville.

The Associated Collegiate Press has ranked The Northwest Missourian in the top 1 percent of all college newspapers in the country. The newspaper can also be accessed online at www.nwmissourinews.com.

From elections to football games to a closer look at a favorite local band, The Northwest Missourian covers what is most important to you.

NEWS

The Northwest Missourian covers the news that matters most to you. From our weekly edition to online updates, we offer our readers all the news on campus and in the community.

OPINION

Check out what our columnists think about issues that affect you. Share your own opinions as a contributing columnist by contacting our opinion editor at (660) 562-1224.

THE VIBE

No matter the feature, The Northwest Missourian offers an exclusive look into entertainment on the Northwest campus and in the community.

AT YOUR LEISURE

Look for a recently released album or movie review, The Stroller, crossword puzzle and Sudoku on our entertainment page.

THE BOX SCORE

Catch up on scores and statistics from the latest games and read "The Wire" to see the latest news about the Northwest Bearcats and Maryville Spoofhounds.

SPORTS

The Northwest Missourian's sports coverage ranges from the Northwest Bearcats to the Maryville Spoofhounds. Game recaps, player profiles and Facebook updates during sporting events can all be expected in our coverage.

FAQs

How often does The Northwest Missourian publish?

The Northwest Missourian is a weekly, citywide newspaper that publishes every Thursday to be distributed throughout the Northwest campus and the community. The Northwest Missourian also updates its website daily with up-to-date news and sports results.

Who decides what goes in the paper?

The Northwest Missourian's student editors have primary control of the content, design and advertisements which appear in it. Though our editors work to cover every event on campus, we welcome story ideas from students and the community. Anyone can submit a story idea by calling our newsroom at (660) 562-1224.

Who is The Stroller?

The Stroller is an anonymous column featured every week in the newspaper's "At Your Leisure" section. The Stroller lends a satirical voice to students, discussing issues that affect you and has been a tradition since 1918.

Do I have to be a journalism major to be on staff?

No. You do, however, have to be a full-time student to be a paid member of the staff. Students interested in a job in journalism, photography, design, advertising or marketing will find working at the newspaper provides the opportunity to expand their portfolio, resume and gain crucial experience in finding a job after graduation.



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